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Title: Process for Converting Lignins Into ) Examiner: Arnold, Jr., James  
A High Octane Blending Component )

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR. §1.116

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Sir:

In reply to the Office Action mailed May 31, 2005, which rejected the claims in the above-identified patent application, applicants respectfully request reconsideration based upon the amendments hereinafter set forth.

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